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November 2018

# B'nai Israel

*The Newsletter of Temple B'nai Israel*

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## Rabbi's Corner

In weekday liturgy we find the prayers for daily blessings, and in Jewish communities around the world, we offer thanks for all of the things that we are blessed with on a typical day. In religious school last month when we recited this prayer at t'filah, I asked the kids to share what they were thankful for on a daily basis.

In the month of November, we celebrate the American secular holiday, Thanksgiving, where most of us sit around tables and share a meal with our families and friends. Often we are asked to go around the table and share what we are thankful for. So this month, in honor of Jewish daily tradition and American yearly tradition, I encourage you to focus on the things in life that you are thankful for. I am thankful to have been placed in such a welcoming community in Petoskey, MI!

L'shalom,

Maddy

You can now find my sermons at [rabbimaddy.com](http://rabbimaddy.com)!



## From the President

Our Musical Artist-in-Residence project with renowned cantorial soloist Hilary Duberstein is off to a roaring start! We know many adults and children play a musical instrument or just enjoy singing and we want to put your talents to fun use by coming together to learn to play and sing Jewish music together, including favorite Chanukah and Shabbat Kabbalah songs.

The Temple Annual Meeting will be on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm in the Sanctuary. Elections will be held for Mishpacha / Education Director and one At-Large Member. The Board has nominated the two incumbents for those positions, Emily Stuchell and Elisa Seltzer, respectively. Other nominations will be taken from the floor at the meeting, prior to the elections. The 2019 fiscal year's budget will be presented and voted on. There will also be an update from the Rabbi House Fundraising Committee.

L'shalom,  
Gus



## November Events

Tue., Nov. 6 – Election Day

Fri., Nov. 9, 5:30pm – Tot Shabbat

Fri., Nov. 9, 7:30pm – Shabbat Service w/ Rabbi Maddy

Sat., Nov. 10, 11am – Torah Study and Potluck Dairy  
Brunch

Sun., Nov. 11, 10am – Sunday School

Sun., Nov. 11, 12:15pm – Annual Temple Meeting

Sun., Nov. 18, 10am – Sunday School

Sun., Nov. 18, 12:15pm – Sunday School Potluck  
Brunch

Sun., Nov. 18, 1pm – Rehearsal for Chanukah Party w/  
Artist-in-Residence

Fri., Nov. 30, 5:30pm – Tot Shabbat

Fri., Nov. 30, 7:30pm – Shabbat Service w/ Rabbi Maddy

Sat., Dec. 1, 11am – Torah Study and Potluck Dairy  
Brunch

Sun., Dec. 2, 10am – Sunday School

Sun., Dec. 2, 11:30am – Chanukah Party w/ Artist-in-  
Residence

## Artist-in-Residence

Beginning Sunday, October 14, 2018 Temple B'nai Israel invites music lovers of all ages to come and sing, play your instrument, or tap your feet to the beat. We would like everyone of all ages to come and participate in this first exciting event. If you don't play an instrument, we will provide cymbals, bells, sticks, whatever makes a beat so that all are included.

We have several sessions and dates planned for the fall and early winter so we hope everyone will participate. We begin on October 14, 2018 at 12:00 with a dairy potluck brunch. Our artist-in-residence is Hilary Duberstein, a Cantorial Soloist. She works with different synagogues not only providing Cantorial service but working with children's religious services.

We would like to have an idea of the number of persons and types of instruments that might be here on October 14, so please send an email to Jim or Betty Line. So far, we have singers, drummers, clarinet, sax, flute, guitar and recorder signed up.

Email: [jline1373@gmail.com](mailto:jline1373@gmail.com) or [bettyline1939@gmail.com](mailto:bettyline1939@gmail.com)

## Rabbi House Project

Since 1925, Temple B'nai Israel has hosted student rabbis during the summer. In the 1990s, a year-round internship was established and, since 2014, Rav Maya Leibovich has served during the summer months. Purchased in 1998 for sixty thousand dollars, the current rabbi house has served our community well, but has begun to show both its limitations and, simply, its age—a sinking foundation, crumbling window casings, poor ventilation, outdated appliances—leading to continually increasing maintenance bills.



*Artist rendering of new rabbi house*

To solve this costly issue, the temple is engaged in a fundraising campaign for the construction of a new rabbi house, which will improve our campus and help sustain our vibrant Jewish presence in Northern Michigan by providing safe, accessible housing for the rabbis this temple is so fortunate to attract each year. The proposal details a sustainably constructed three bedroom, two-bath, fully conditioned 1,900-squarefoot space, with appropriate furnishings and landscaping. For more information, please contact the cochairs of the Rabbi House Fundraising Committee— Val Meyerson and Sally Cannon—or the temple president, Gus Paz. Pledge forms are available on Temple B'nai Israel's website.

## Donations Received

### Rabbi House Fund

Leslie & Mervyn Sternberg  
Marshall & Jane Cossman: Rabbi House Fund 1  
of 2

Steven Fishman & Bonnie Josephson

Harold & Linda Friedman

Bob and Bedonna Perish

Eunice & Milton Ring

Hank and Anita Schneider: Installment 2 of 3

### Tree of Life Fund

Leslie & Mervyn Sternberg — *in honor of Hank  
and Anita Schneider*

### Rabbinic Fund

Hank and Anita Schneider: Sponsorship of Maya  
and Menachem for 2019

### General Fund

Keith and Laura Podob

Mr. Kenneth M. Feld

Mark & Pamela Jacobstein

Gloria Levine

Gerald Lorence: High Holy Days

Ms. Jamie Schwartzfisher & Mr. Matthew

Malkowski: Cost of Pumpkins and Hayride

Sukkot 2018

Joe Winchell



"We are saddened to learn of the death of Marilyn Silver, a long time member and supporter of Temple B'Nai Israel. May her memory be for a blessing."

The 2019 B'nai Mitzvah Class will be running the annual Harvest Food and Supply Drive to benefit the Women's Resource Center Safe Home. Please bring non-perishable foods, household supplies, and personal care items to donate during the months of November and December. Donation boxes will be located in the Temple foyer. Please visit [wrcnm.org](http://wrcnm.org) for more information and the complete Safe Home Needs List.

## Funds / Named Donations Available

- ☐ Temple General Fund ☐ Newsletter Fund ☐
- ☐ Prayer Book Fund ☐ Building Fund ☐
- ☐ Irene Gordon Memorial Fund ☐ Oneg Fund ☐
- ☐ Lee and Miles Jaffe Memorial Fund ☐
- ☐ Religious Education Fund ☐
- ☐ Stacy McCracken Memorial Youth Enrichment Fund ☐
- ☐ Alvin's "Helping Hand" Rosenhaus Memorial Fund ☐
- ☐ Tree of Life Fund (\$100 Per Leaf) ☐
- ☐ Aubrey & Gerald Meyerson Perpetual Kaddish Fund ☐
- ☐ Donor Wall Tile Fund (\$48 per tile, plus freight) ☐
- ☐ Tribute Fund (packets of five tributes for \$90/pack) ☐

## Temple B'nai Israel Donation Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

My contribution is in honor or memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle which fund you are designating (above) and then mail your check and this completed form to:

Mark Rothman Treasurer  
Temple B'nai Israel  
PO Box 2416  
Petoskey MI 49770

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<div> <div>5779</div> <div>Calendar of Events</div> <div>2018</div> </div>						
Cheshvan / Kislev   November						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct. 28	29	30	31	Nov. 1	2 6:08 	3
4	5	6 Election Day	7	8 <i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	9 5:30pm – Tot Shabbat 7:30pm – Shabbat Services w/ Rabbi Maddy 4:58 	10 11am – Torah Study and Potluck Dairy Brunch
11 10am – Sunday School 12:15pm – Annual Temple Meeting	12	13	14	15	16 4:51 	17
18 10am – Sunday School 12:15pm – Sunday School Potluck Brunch 1pm – Rehearsal for Chanu- kah Party w/Artist-in- Residence	19	20	21	22	23 4:45 	24
25 ----- Dec. 2 10am – Sunday School 11:30am – Chanukah Party w/ Artist-in-Residence	26	27	28	28	30 5:30pm – Tot Shabbat 7:30pm – Shabbat Services w/ Rabbi Maddy 4:41 	Dec. 1 11am – Torah Study and Potluck Dairy Brunch